

Wood and Paper Manufacturing

The wood product industry (NAICS 321) manufactures wood products, such as lumber, plywood, veneers, wood containers, wood flooring, wood trusses, manufactured homes (i.e., mobile homes), and prefabricated wood buildings.

The paper manufacturing industry (NAICS 322) makes pulp, paper, and converted paper products. These three interconnected processes represent different phases of converting wood into finished paper products, and are often combined at a single location.



Texas Industry Totals

Firms	890
Employment	38,468
Average Annual Wage	\$48,646
Total Capital Investments	\$314.5 million
Value Added Per Employee	\$120,881
Value of Shipments	\$10.4 billion

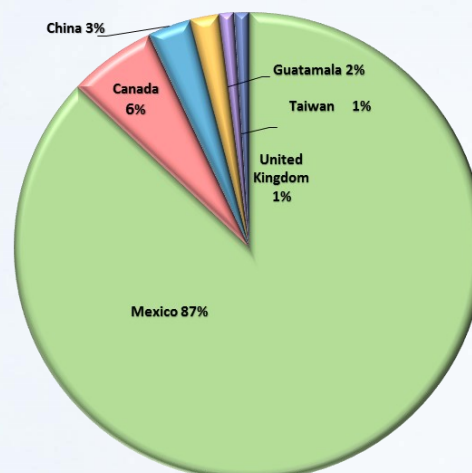
How Texas Ranks in the U.S.

All Employees	No. 5
Production Workers	No. 5
Value Added	No. 6
Value of Shipments	No. 6
Total Capital Investments	No. 10

Texas Exports

- Texas wood and paper products exports in 2014 were valued at \$2.1 billion.
- In 2014, paper manufacturing was Texas' 14th largest export sector.
- Top wood and paper commodities shipped from Texas ports include cardboard, paperboard cartons, and wood pulp.

Top Export Markets*



*Paper Products

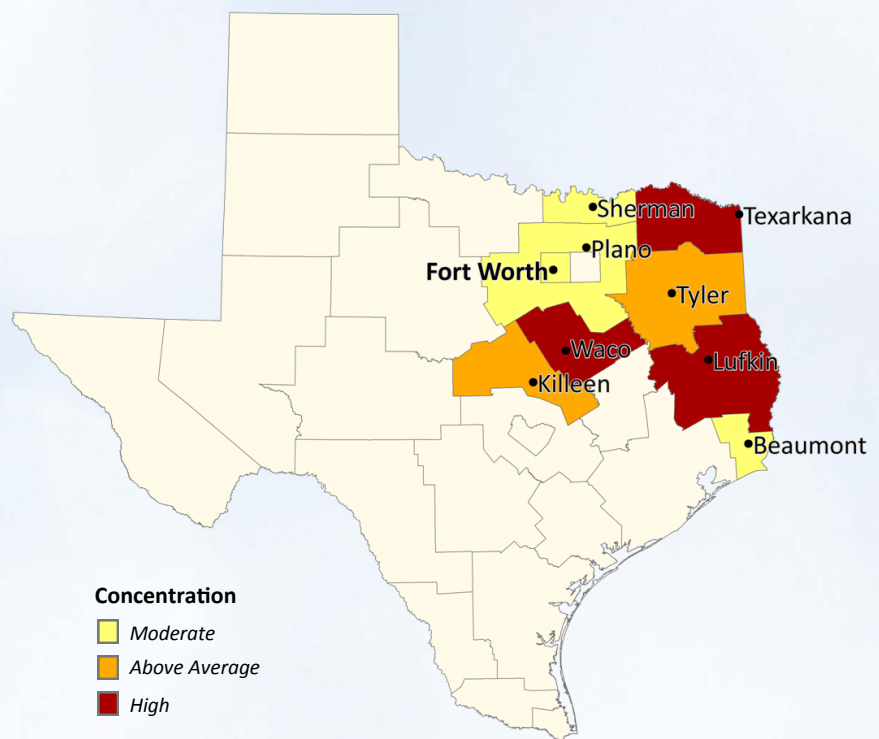
Sources: Texas Workforce Commission, U.S. Census Annual Survey of Manufactures, WISERTrade, Texas Manufacturers Register

Major Industry Employers in Texas

Company	Location(s)	Products
Georgia-Pacific, LLC	Diboll, etc.	Wood & paper products
International Paper Co.	Queen City, etc.	Corrugated boxes & paper products
Kimberly-Clark Corp.	Paris, etc.	Sanitary paper products
MeadWestvaco	Evadale, Silsbee	Paperboard products
Manufacturing Group of America	Dallas	Wooden Cabinets

Regional Concentrations

The map at right identifies the state's Workforce Development regions with above-average specializations in wood product and paper manufacturing. The highlighted regions are not the only areas in Texas where workers in this sector can be found, but rather represent areas with the greatest concentrations relative to the size of the local labor force. The wood industry is primarily located in East Texas, while the paper products industry is primarily clustered in Central Texas.



Recent Industry Trends

- Texas wood & paper manufacturing employment increased slightly between Q3 2013 and Q3 2014.
- German Pellets, one of Europe's leading producers of wood pellets, operates a wood pellet manufacturing facility in Woodville, Texas, just north of Port Arthur. The company also operates a storage and loading facility in Port Arthur.